



Marshall Space Flight Center

Launching the Future of Science and Exploration



An Exciting Time To Be at NASA

Retire the SHUTTLE in 2010

Complete the INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION

Establish a PERMANENT presence on the MOON

Bring the new EXPLORATION VEHICLES into service

Develop a BALANCED PROGRAM of science, exploration and aeronautics

Pursue PARTNERSHIPS with commercial space sector

Why Explore

To uphold America's leadership through:

Technological advancement

Scientific discovery

Economic opportunity

National security



NASA supports America's leadership through space exploration.

Why the Moon

It's close

... three day journey

It's informative

... reveals planetary history

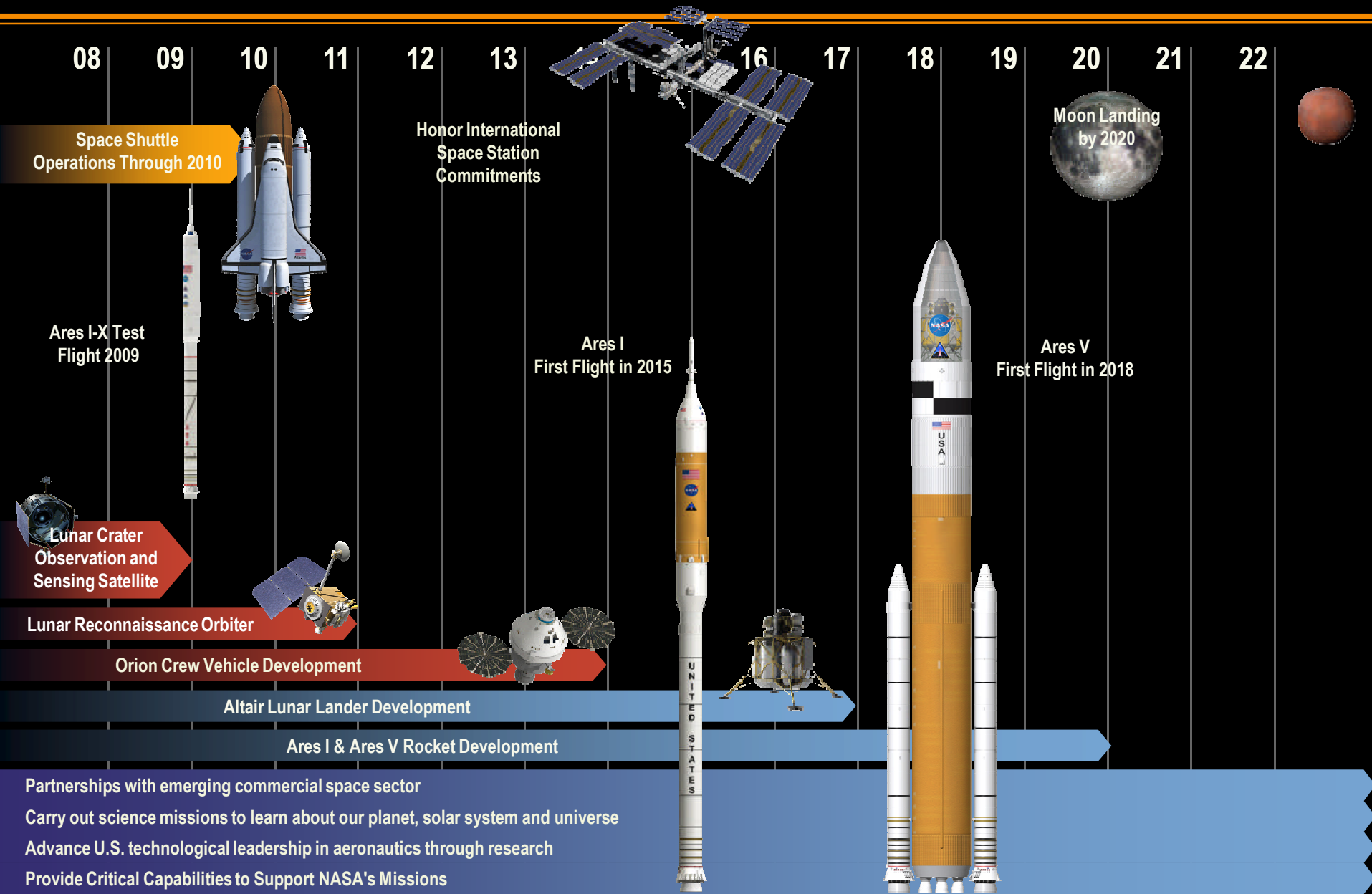
It's necessary

... stepping stone for future missions

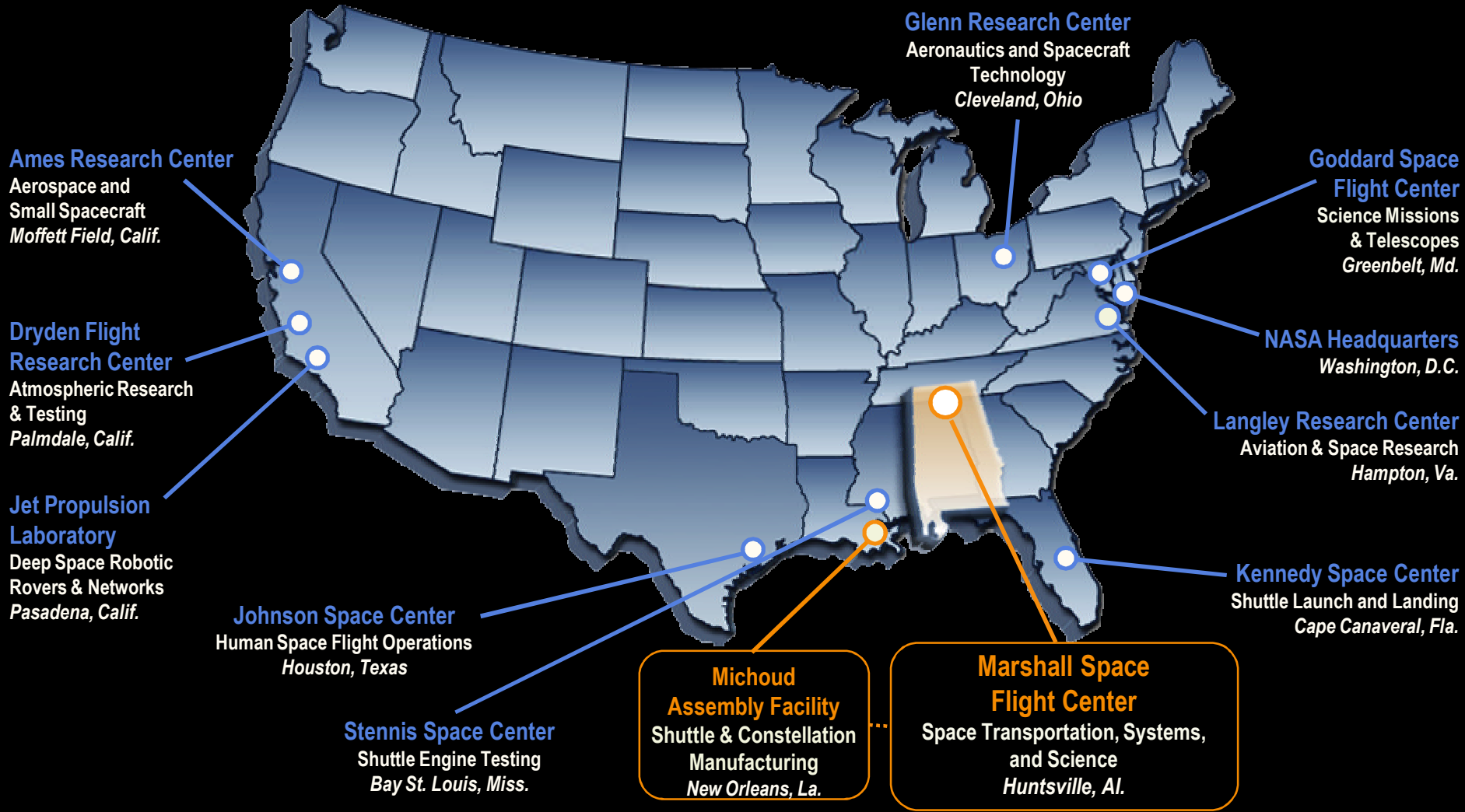


Exploring the moon will benefit all of humankind.

America's Future in Space



NASA Around the Country



Marshall has a key role in NASA's mission.

Launching a Legacy

*The uniting of science and
space exploration began with the
launch of Explorer I in 1958.*



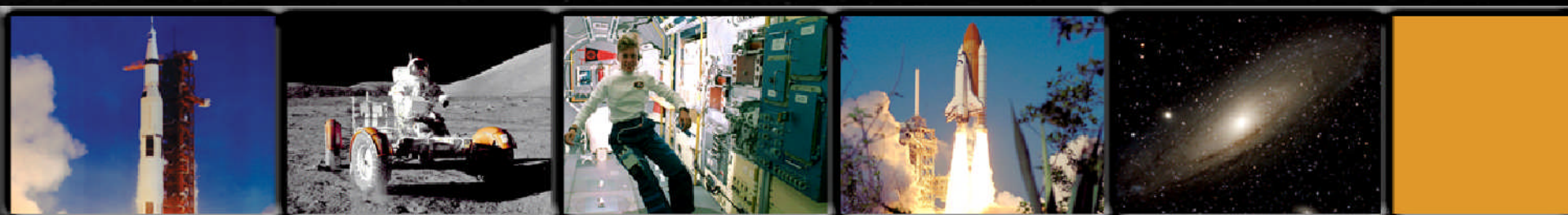
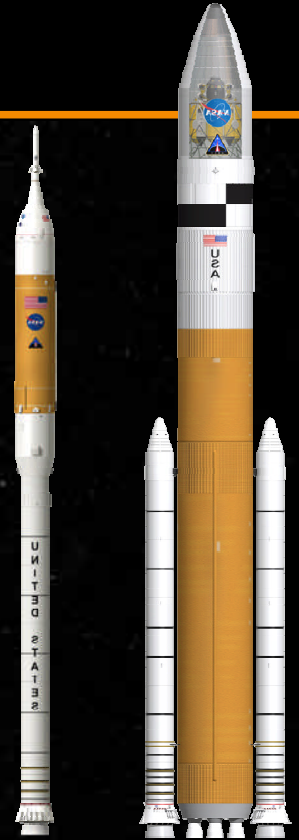
Marshall: uniting science and exploration.

Exceptional Past – Extraordinary Future

Major U.S. space achievements have roots at Marshall.

Knowledge and experience from our past will positively impact our future.

Marshall is setting the stage for a new era of science and exploration to begin.



Marshall is an important part of America's space exploration success.

Marshall's Continuing Role in Space Exploration

Understanding Our World
and Beyond

Living and Working In Space

Lifting from Earth

*Marshall makes significant contributions
to each primary focus area.*

Lifting from Earth

Space shuttle – our current vehicle

Main engines, external tank,
solid rocket boosters

Transitioning to Orion for missions beyond
low Earth orbit

Best elements of shuttle technology
used to develop future vehicles

Ares rockets – our future vehicles

Successor to shuttle for routine space access

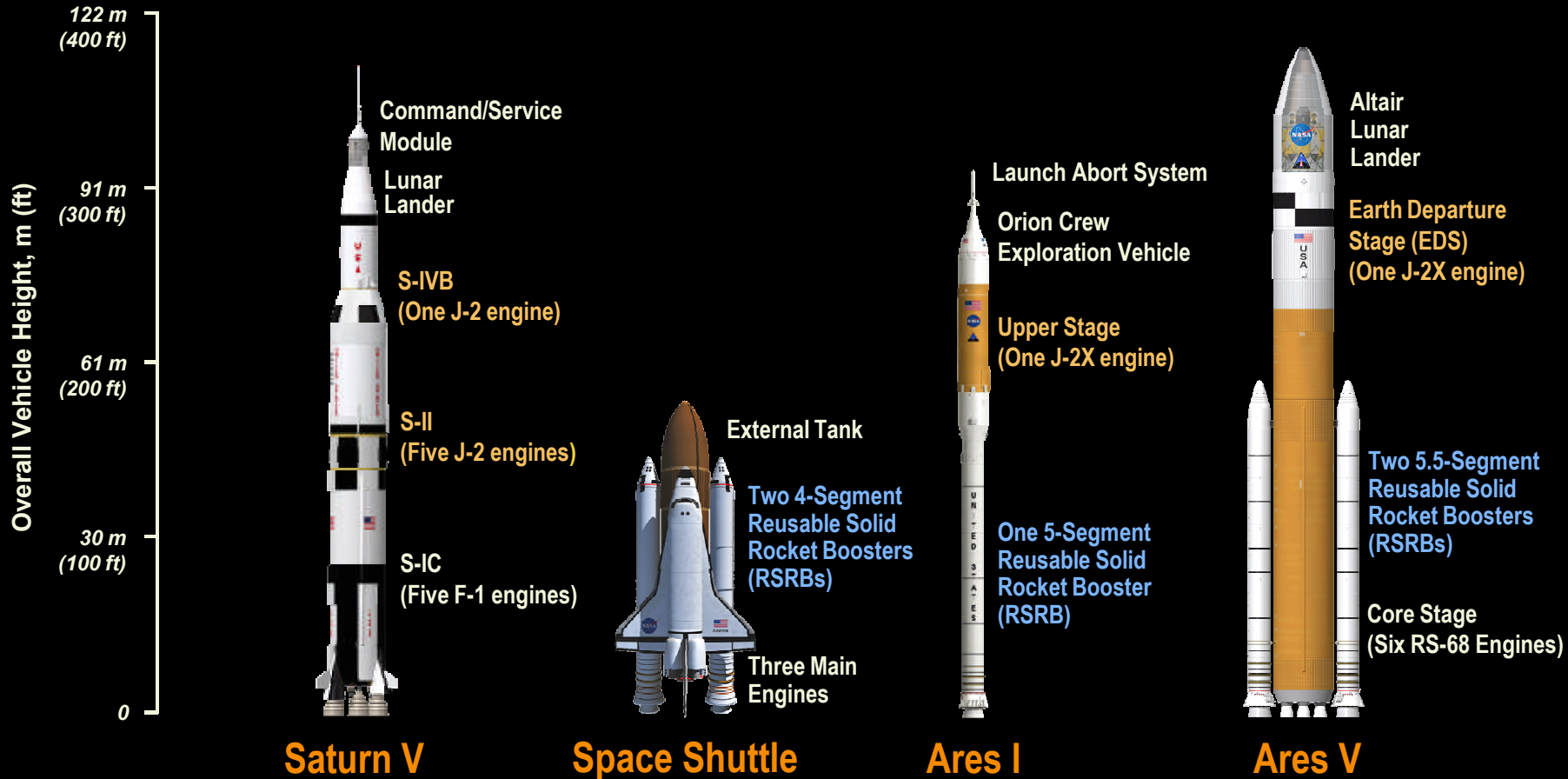
Part of NASA's Constellation Program

Marshall manages the development of
both the Ares I and the Ares V

First test flight is scheduled for 2009

Marshall builds rockets, from Saturn to Shuttle to Ares.

Building on 50 Years of Proven Experience



Saturn V

Space Shuttle

Ares I

Ares V

1967–1972

1981–Present

First Flight 2015

First Flight 2018

mT – metric tons
TLI – Trans-Lunar Injection
LEO – Low Earth Orbit

Height:
110.6 m (363 ft)

Payload Capability:
44.9 mT (99,000 lbs) to TLI
118.8 mT (262,000 lbs) to LEO

Height:
56.1 m (184.2 ft)

Payload Capability:
25.0 mT (55,000 lbs) to LEO

Height:
99.1 m (325 ft)

Payload Capability:
25.5 mT (56,200 lbs) to LEO

Height:
116.2 m (381.1 ft)

Payload Capability:
187.7 mT (413,800 lbs) to LEO
71.1 mT (156,700 lbs) to TLI with Ares I
62.8 mT (138,500 lbs) direct to TLI

Ares Rockets: Launching America's Future in Space



The Ares I will deliver crew and service to the International Space Station.

The Ares V will transport the Altair Lunar Lander and other heavy cargo.

Together, the Ares I and Ares V rockets will take crew and cargo to the moon.

The Ares rockets will launch America's future in space.

Living and Working in Space

Supporting Life and Work

- Producing clean air and recycling water
- Providing around-the-clock science operations support
- Making science experimentation possible in space

Future Systems

- Exploration life support systems
- Radiation hardened electronics
- Altair Lunar Lander systems
- Lunar resources utilization



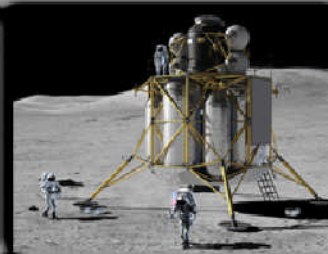
Payload
Operations Center



Lunar Resources



Environmental
Control & Life Support



Altair Lunar
Lander



Working in Space

***Marshall supports crews living, working,
and conducting science in space.***

Understanding Our World

Environmental Monitoring

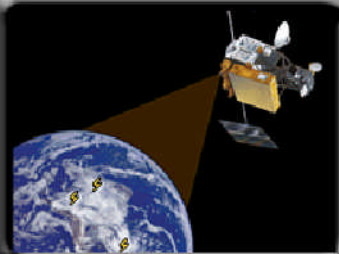
- Understanding climate change and weather patterns

Weather Prediction

- Improving forecasts and weather warning times

Hurricane Research

- Predicting the intensity and dynamics of storms



Global Hydrology & Climate Center



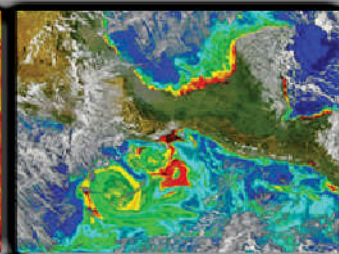
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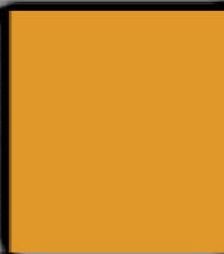
SPoRT



Environmental Monitoring



SERVIR



Marshall Earth Science improves our lives and our planet.

Understanding Worlds Beyond

Preparing for human return to the moon

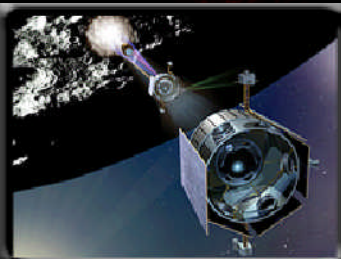
- Robotic missions to search for water ice and gather data
- Program office at Marshall

Learning about our solar system

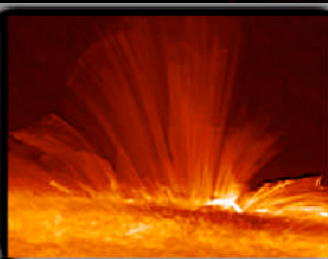
- Spacecraft to analyze the inner workings of the sun, planets, comets and asteroids
- Program management and instrument development

Learning about our universe

- Scientific instruments to reveal information about activity in deep space
- Management, design and construction



LCROSS



Hinode



Discovery/
New Frontiers



Chandra



JWST/
Marshall XRCF

Marshall Science uncovers mysteries about our moon, solar system, and universe.

Improving Lives Through Space Exploration



Inspiring

... others to imagine, and
motivating them to learn

Prospering

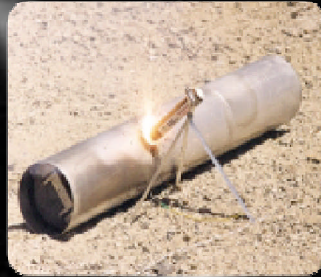
... by creating jobs, new
opportunities and new products

Protecting

... the Earth by using the assets
of space to help our planet and
ourselves

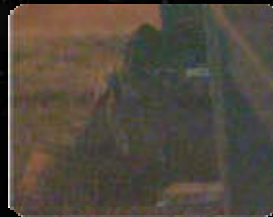
*NASA's space exploration pursuits have
positive benefits for society.*

From Exploration to Innovation



From fueling rocket engines
to defusing land mines

From clean water
on the space station
to clean water
in remote areas



From space satellite imagery
to crime-solving imagery

Marshall's technology and innovation benefit life on Earth.

From Exploration to Opportunity



\$2.6 billion

budget in fiscal year 2008



6th largest

employer in the Huntsville -
Madison county area



> 7,600

employees at Marshall
(2,634 civil service employees
in fiscal year 2008)



4.5 million

square feet of space occupied
in Huntsville



\$1 billion

impact to Alabama economy



2.2 million

square feet of manufacturing
space at Michoud Assembly
Facility in New Orleans

Marshall is an engine of opportunity for its community and beyond.

Launching the Future



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